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1. During the evening of 19 August 1954, approximately 30 men who were peasant types and carried knapsacks and trunks were observed at the main station of Sofia. They were reservists.
  2. On 7:00 a.m. on 20 August 1954, approximately 100 reservists who wore better than average clothing were observed in front of the Khristo Yassenov School. Order was maintained by members of the Militia. Nothing was observed around the other schools.
  3. At 7:30 a.m. on 20 August 1954, two fully loaded trucks (approximately 60 men) were observed in front of the Poduene Station of Sofia.
  4. At 8:00 a.m. on the same day, about 10 reservists were observed on Tolbukhin Boulevard in Sofia.
  5. At 11:00 a.m. on this same date, two groups of 20 men, with baggage, were noted in front of a barracks. They were in civilian clothes.
  6. At 5:00 p.m. on 20 August 1954, Yavorov Avenue, in Boris Park was closed off. A group of 150-200 soldiers guarded by Militiamen were observed here. They were most probably reservists who had just been issued uniforms. Yavorov was again open to traffic at 7:00 p.m.
  7. The latest recalls of reserves in Dobrich (now Tolbukhin) affected the classes of 1922, 1923, and 1924. Other reservists who had been called up previously were notified that they would be maintained in service longer than the period originally announced.
1.   Comment: The call-up in Sofia of 20 August does not appear to have been particularly large, and probably did not exceed several hundred. The center of Dragalevtzi was empty. Another report states that those recalled were allegedly mainly specialists (radio operators, observers, drivers) of the classes of 1920, 1923, 1925, and 1929.

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